# Saturday 6 PM

## **Mack Whelan**

My name is Mack. Even though I have been raised in a Christian home and attend a Christian school, I was not always convinced there was a God. In 678, I heard a couple of really interesting and inspiring teachings from Jake and Levi, and felt a touch from the Lord in my heart compelling me to take steps of faith. I can confidently say that now I am a true believer, and I know I have Jesus by my side. I want to be baptized as another step in my strong connection with the Lord.

## Cooper Bollow -

My name is Cooper. I remember both of my brothers receiving Jesus, and I have always known that my parents have a relationship with Jesus. After the last session of Vacation Bible Study, I knew I wanted to follow Jesus too. I talked with Trey Gomez, then with my parents, and that night they prayed with me as I received Jesus as my Savior and the Lord of my life. I am learning that Jesus gives me peace and helps me see how God is working in my life and in the lives of others. I'm getting baptized today as another step of following Jesus.

## Manny Camargo Jr. -

My name is Manny. Before I decided to trust in Jesus, my life was filled with problems that felt overwhelming. While I was at camp last summer I met a lot of people who helped me decide to personally trust Jesus on my own, and since then I know Jesus is helping me and my family through tough times. I want to get baptized because I want to offer my life to God and keep taking steps of faith as I follow Jesus in the life God is giving me.

#### Gabriel La Torre -

My name is Gabriel. I was born into a Christian family, but I really did not begin to understand what it means to be Christian until I was ten or eleven years old. Looking back, I know that I was not making the best choices. I was rude, I hung out with the wrong people, and sometimes I felt alone. Over the last year, my connection with the Lord has grown, and I have put my faith in the Lord more and more. As I trust in Jesus, I know that I am never alone, I am protected and the Lord will lead me in the right way to live. That is why I am taking this step to be baptized.

#### Katherine Clark -

My name is Katherine. I have been going to church since I was really little, and considered myself a Christian; but looking back at the last two years, it's clear to me that I didn't really trust God. I tried to rely just on myself, and looked for answers to my questions from anywhere *but* God until I REALLY encountered Jesus at summer camp. I saw how everyone's hope and joy came from God and I realized that He was the only one who can give me hope, joy and eternal life. I started reading the Bible every day, praying, talking with family, and a couple of months ago I accepted Jesus as my Savior.

#### Elizabeth Clark -

My name is Elizabeth, and God's love has changed my life. This change began at the Hume camp last summer. Before that I felt very, very lost – like there was a deep emptiness in me – until one night at camp – during worship – I felt someone hug me, and I knew it was God. He was filling that emptiness with direction, and unexplainable joy that only comes from the true love of Jesus. I have woken up every day since praying and thanking God for His love that gives my life peace. I'm being baptized today because Jesus truly saves.

## Girlie Concepcion -

My name is Girlie. I grew up belonging to a cult religion. My life was full of anxiety over fears about my future and God felt distant, but the Lord found me. A Christian friend shared the truth of the Bible with me, and showed me who Jesus is. I came to believe that Jesus is God who put on flesh, and His finished work at the cross was done for me. Since then my relationship with my Savior has grown closer and closer as I continue to grow in the knowledge of His grace and walk in obedience to God's word. Today I am getting baptized with gratitude for the peace, hope, and immeasurable love Jesus has given to me.

# Sunday 9 AM

### **Omar Robb**

My name is Omar. I received Jesus Christ as the one and only Lord and Savior of my life about 4 years ago in a Kids Church Easter service. Because of my decision that day, God has helped me through the years to fully trust what the Bible says is true. I am being baptized today because I believe my sins are forgiven, and I want to keep growing in my relationships with God.

#### **Monica Urbina Soto**

My name is Monica. I know I was lost before I trusted in Jesus, but God then answered my prayers. I now know I am heard, loved and live with confidence and peace, believing that Jesus is with me. In His presence there is forgiveness and restoration. I'm getting baptized today because of my decision to trust and follow Jesus.

## **Orion Svensson**

My name is Orion. I was just 5 years old when I accepted Jesus Christ after my mom and dad told me about trusting Him, and I wanted that kind of relationship with Him. Ever since, my faith has been able to grow so that I fully trust Jesus today. Choosing to be baptized today is a step of obedience to Jesus that demonstrates my faith is my own.

# **Sunday 11:15 S**

# **Christopher Jones**

My name is Christopher. On March 19th I injured my knee at work. While feeling down on myself, and questioning why this had to happen, the Spirit of God spoke and convinced me that there was a reason. It was time for me to turn to Jesus with new faith in Him. It was time for me to be cleansed of my sins, addiction, self-doubt, resentment and anger. It was time to stop being distracted, and taking my own shortcomings out on one of God's greatest gifts to me, my family. I decided to trust Jesus Christ as my Savior and the Lord of my life so that I could follow Him in a path of righteousness and true purpose. Since then, I have received a calming sense of peace, a new love for my family, and thankfulness for all of the blessings God has given me.

## **Orly Sustaeta**

My name is Orly. I'm reborn with the love of Jesus Christ. I was depressed, anxious, angry, envious and lost. I felt defeated by the demons in my head, and I was afraid of self destruction. I wanted to just disappear and not look back. On a snowy hike in Wrightwood CA, I came to the top of a mountain and – while looking out at what God had created, breathing in the beauty – I surrendered everything to God. I asked Him to take me and lead me to his promised land. I asked Him to heal me, and with the help of others – with God's word, with laughter and tears – God is answering my prayer. I feel blessed, and I'm getting baptized because Jesus is making me new.

### Iris Baltodano -

My name is Iris. Ten years ago I visited a Christian church for the first time. As soon as I walked in, I felt the Holy Spirit and I knew I was being called for a second chance. I had been lost in a dark world where I thought that God would not forgive me for my sins, but now I know that God has given me much more than a second chance. Once I accepted Jesus, I turned my life around. I am more careful about my decisions in life because God has taken me away from the darkness, and I will not go back. I want to set a good example for my son so that he knows that life with Jesus is the only way worth living.

#### Estela Ruiz -

My name is Estela, and I have experienced Jesus in a life changing way. I once felt alone, ashamed of my past, angry for things that happened to me at a young age, and lost with nowhere to turn to. As a single parent I always lived with fear of raising my daughters by myself. When I started attending CA a few years ago, I began to discover a loving, merciful, accepting, and forgiving God. He has answered my prayers. His timing is perfect. I am made in His image, and trusting Jesus has given me peace. I crave His love and grace with which He continues guiding me. I am being baptized today to seal my recommitment to Him.

#### Sevana Savoian

My name is Sevana. I have been brought up in a family of faith, my parents have taught me about Jesus. At a young age I learned that I was a sinner and decided to accept Jesus' death on the cross and resurrection as payment for my sins, and for the gift of new life with the Holy Spirit. I seek Jesus first in my daily life, and I know that His Word will always lead me to correct my ways. I want to be baptized today to declare my Christian faith publicly.

#### Leo Savoian

My name is Leo. Growing up in my parents' home, I can remember learning about Jesus as young as 4 years old. I have learned that I need a Savior, and by repenting of my sins, asking for forgiveness and believing that Jesus died in my place, I can receive His Holy Spirit and have eternal life with Him in heaven. I want to be baptized to publicly declare my own decision to trust and receive Jesus as my personal Lord and Savior.

#### Natalia Locicero

My name is Natalia. I have lived in the chaos of drugs, alcohol and sin in so many ways. With no balance in life, broken family and failed friendships, I was convinced I had to battle the world on my own, with no hope. Recently, I was diagnosed with a terminal illness and while laying in bed expecting to die I saw a beautiful light and heard Jesus speak to me, saying that I would not die, but a new journey of life with Him was just beginning. As I follow Jesus in the redemption and salvation that God intends for me, I am choosing sobriety, I have hope beyond chaos, and I know I am not alone. God is good and most amazing.

# **Sunday 11:15 N**

### Ruben Zamora

My name is Ruben. I want to let the enemy know he lost another one to Jesus. My life has been like a rollercoaster to hell because of choices I made. For nine years, my wife has been showing me life with Jesus not as a religion but as a relationship. On January 1, 2024 I decided to fully surrender myself and trust the Lord, and since then I have experienced changes in every part of my life. I'm praying, and learning God's word. I'm slow to anger. I don't shy away in worship. I don't hesitate to speak about God when asked if I'm a believer. I'm far from where I want to be, but my goal is to have God in the forefront of everything I do. I'm getting baptized to fully commit myself to Jesus with no barriers; cleansed and born again.

# **Chrystal Stout**

My name is Chrystal. I spent years feeling depressed and anxious because I never felt safe. Carrying around sadness, anger and resentment, I was living in survival mode with addictions that stemmed from a lack of self-worth. I started attending Christian Assembly about six months ago – when my in-laws invited me. Soon, my depression and anxiety began to melt away, and so did my resentment and anger. With new hope, I began to realize that only Jesus could Save me. Slowly I started to have faith. As a beloved child of God, I felt safe in the world again, and began to feel self-worth. Then, about two months ago, I accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior. Where there once was anger and pain, now I have only love and forgiveness. Where I used to feel empty I now feel full. With Him it has been easier to let go of my addictions, and I am thankful to have been saved by God's grace!

## **Katty Avalos**

My name is Katty. I was lost until I felt Jesus' love for me while I was praying. He convinced me to trust Him for new life as an adopted child of God. I'm getting baptized as another step of trusting and following my Savior, and the Lord of my life, Jesus Christ.

### **Andrew Roman**

My name is Andrew. Although I was born into a Christian family, I was not convinced of Jesus until my high school years. I began to realize I was lost and in need of my Savior. Once I decided to accept and trust Jesus, I realized that I was changing. I was becoming a "better me" and God was helping me bring my family closer to Jesus. I'm getting baptized now to continue to trust and follow Jesus as my Savior and the Lord of my life.

# **Sunday - Fusion**

### Francis Fadul

My name is Francis. Two years ago, I was encouraged by Jaryl Mordeno to begin attending Fusion. At that time, I was living what I now know as a sinful life. I was not living for the purpose God has for me, but I was seeking and searching for what only God could offer me. Eventually, through prayer, I began to trust in Jesus and desired to follow Him. Now, I trust God to be working in my everyday life and decisions. I am being baptized to express my faith and the new life that I am living for God's purpose as a follower of Jesus.

## **Kathleen Reyes**

My name is Kathleen. I was supposed to get baptized in 2020 and then Covid happened. My parents and my grandma got really sick, and my grandma passed away from it. I felt helpless, and that's when I started praying regularly again. I had to trust in God for whatever happened. As I just let it go and gave it all to Him, I learned how to trust in Jesus and He not only saved my family, He also saved me. Knowing that God is good and will always be there brings me so much peace. I am being baptized today as an act of commitment to the Savior who made a commitment to me first.

### **Ethan Davis**

My name is Ethan. I have been hesitant and shying away from being baptized. Two years ago, our football season ended on a terrible loss, and everyone was upset, but for some reason I was hopeful. It made me realize the lack of value in things like that, and instead made me focus on Jesus, and the eternal value of life with God. I wanted change – not only to change who I was in the world, but spiritual change. I decided to accept Jesus so that I can be a new creation in Him and in relationship with God. I am being baptized because God's spirit convicts me daily of my need to put my full faith in Him.